

Robert Trent Jones Golf Trail TrailMail

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It may not seem like it now, but spring is just around the corner and spring in Alabama means great golf at a great price on

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The RTJ Golf Trail feels big, plays big but costs little. a day for free* when you play three consecutive days this spring.

We're giving you

Play three days and get a Tuesday for free. With 468 holes and 26 courses, you'll be in golf heaven in Alabama. [Click here to learn more or to book your spring getaway.](#)

RTJGolf.com Has A New Look

The brand new RTJGolf.com has been completely rebuilt and is better than ever!

Stop by and take a look at some of the new features, including [hole-by-hole course tours](#) of every Championship hole on the Trail... all 369 of them!

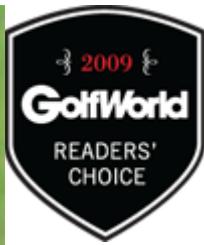
While you're there, pick up the [2009 RTJ Calendar](#) and a [RTJ Gift Certificate](#) good for golf, merchandise, lessons and more. They'll make a great Valentine's gift, and so will other items in our [revamped online shop](#).

Spa Trail Launched In Alabama: Five Spas Located In Resorts & Hotels Along RTJ Golf Trail

First came great golf in 1992. Next, luxury Four Diamond hotels were added. Now the latest hospitality advances in Alabama come from world-class spas – five of them – and the creation of the **RTJ Spa Trail**.

From traditional warm stone massages to caviar facials, the RTJ Spa Trail features five spas across Alabama offering innovative treatments in exquisite settings. Owned by the Retirement Systems of Alabama, the RTJ Spa Trail is part of the Robert Trent Jones Golf Trail's Resort Collection. Spas are located in Marriott and Renaissance Hotels in Point Clear, Mobile, Montgomery, Hoover and Florence. All of these locations have earned Four Diamond ratings by AAA. The combination of great golf, hotels and now spas is appealing to both the leisure traveler and business meeting groups.

As part of the new Spa Trail, an annual [RTJ Spa Trail Card](#) was created to offer discounts on spa services, hotel rooms, dining and retail shopping. A complimentary glass of wine, extended use of the spa facilities and free make-up touch ups are additional values



Golf World Raves About Alabama's RTJ Golf Courses: Opelika & Prattville Sites Rank #1 & #2, Mobile #32

According to the readers of *Golf World*, the best public golf courses in the country are along Alabama's Robert Trent Jones Golf Trail. *Golf World* unveiled the publication's first Readers' Choice Awards in three categories: public golf, private golf and resort golf. For public golf, the top two locations in the country are both in Alabama, with Mobile placing in the Top 50. Here are more details on Alabama's honors:

#1 – Grand National: Opelika's Grand National site ranked #1 as the readers' favorite with a score of 89.86. Grand National scored very well in value, course conditions and overall amenities.

#2 – Capitol Hill: Prattville's Capitol Hill was named #2 for public golf in the country and received one of the highest ratings for course quality. Capitol Hill received a score of 89.58 and hosts the [Navistar LPGA Classic presented by MaxxForce](#).

#32 – Magnolia Grove: Mobile's Magnolia Grove received a score of 79.62. In addition to overall value, Magnolia Grove scored very high for its practice facilities and the overall design and conditions of its courses. This location hosts the [Bell Micro LPGA Classic](#) each fall.

"The Trail has always been known for great golf and value," said Dr. David G. Bronner, CEO of the Retirement Systems of Alabama and visionary behind the Trail. "This newest rankings shows we have great golf and the service and amenities to go along with these exceptional courses. With rankings like this one and being named the top golf value destination in the country by *Golf Digest*, we hope to introduce even more people to golf in Alabama."

LPGA Announces Back-To-Back Golf Tournaments In Alabama

The Ladies Professional Golf Association (LPGA) announced its 2009 tournament schedule and Alabama's Robert Trent Jones Golf Trail will host two LPGA tournaments in back-to-back weeks. The **Navistar LPGA Classic Presented by Maxxforce** will be held September 28-October 4, 2009 on the Senator Course at Prattville's Capitol Hill site on the RTJ Golf Trail. This will be directly followed by the **Bell Micro LPGA Classic** in Mobile from October 5-11, 2009 at Magnolia Grove's Crossings Course. For more information, visit [NavistarLPGAClassic.com](#) and [BellMicroLPGAClassic.com](#).



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